

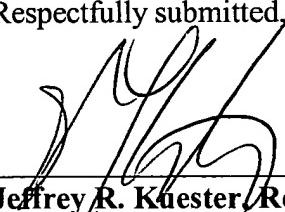
REMARKS

This is a full and timely response to the outstanding non-final Office action of March 14, 2006. The Office Action alleges that the present application contains 10 distinct species, corresponding to Figures 1-5, 5A-5D, and 6. The Office Action requires Applicants to elect a single species on the basis of these figures, and further requires Applicants to indicate which of claims 38, 53-55, and 61-84 read on the elected figures.

In response to the Restriction Requirement, Applicants elect to prosecute Species 10, corresponding to Figure 6, and this election is made without traverse. Applicants respectfully submit that elected claims 38, 53-55, and 66-84 read on Figure 6.

Claims 61-65 are cancelled without prejudice, waiver, or disclaimer. Applicants take this action merely to reduce the number of disputed issues and to facilitate early allowance and issuance of other claims in the present application. Applicants reserve the right to pursue the subject matter of these cancelled claims in a continuing application, if Applicants so choose, and do not intend to dedicate any of the cancelled subject matter to the public. Applicants expressly reserve the right to present cancelled claims 61-65, or variants thereof, in continuing applications to be filed subsequent to the present application.

Should the Examiner have any questions regarding this response, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,


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